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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
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Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 7, line 8 through page 8, line 10, please replace this
paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

As further embodiments of the special thread ridges
(422), there are given a thin layer (it is preferable that
once having been formed, it will not fall off from a
location of formation as long as it is intentionally peeled
off, and it will not be bonded to a member or members, to
which the thin layer abuts against) of a resin (typified by
"Nylok" (trade mark of Nylok Ltd., in the United States)).
While being natural, the thin layer may be formed on the

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